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ESTONIAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE
IN THE UNITED STATES

REGISTRATION ACT

On 4/25/57, ENDEL RENNIT, Secretary General of the Estonian National Committee in the US (ENCUS) advised that ENCUS is an Anti-Communist organization located at 243 East 34th St., NYC, which consists of 30 members elected by approximately 4,000 Estonians in the US. The purpose of ENCUS is to oppose Communism all over the world and their ultimate hope and goal is that Estonia will be freed from the occupation by Communist Russia. ENCUS engages in letter writing to various departments and agencies for proposed action against Communism. RENNIT advised ENCUS is in no way directed, financed or is an agent of

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any foreign government. NYCCS is a member of the Estonian World Council, (EWC), an international Anti-Communist Estonian group located at 243 East 34th St., NYC. EWC is made up of representatives from similar Anti-Communist Estonian groups from the US, Canada, Australia, Great Britain, Sweden and the Republic of Germany. The purpose of EWC is also to oppose Communism.

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DETAILS:

1. PURPOSE, AIDS AND ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE OF THE ESTONIAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE IN THE UNITED STATES (NYCCS)

On April 25, 1951, ERNST RENK, Secretary General of NYCCS, was interviewed and he advised that NYCCS is an Anti-Communist organization. NYCCS is not directed, financed and is not an agent of any foreign government. RENK furnished the following information in regard to NYCCS:

A. Location

NYCCS is located on the second floor of the Estonian House at 243 East 34th Street, New York City.

B. Purpose and Activities

NYCCS is organized and engaged in educational type programs for the purpose of informing the Estonian born

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Individuals in the United States the truth about Communism. RENHIT advised that the sole purpose of FNCUS was to oppose Communism in all countries and that their ultimate hope and goal is that Estonia will be freed from occupation by Communist Russia. He stated that FNCUS directs communications to various agencies in the United States such as the United States Congress, United States Department of State, and other departments of the United States Government expressing their support of Anti-Communist action. They also make suggestions for action in regard to exposing Communist activities throughout the world especially in those countries now occupied by Russia.

C. Membership

FNCUS is made up of thirty members, who are elected every three years. The election ballots are mailed to approximately 4,000 Anti-Communist Estonians residing throughout the United States and they in turn indicate their choice of committee members. A Board of Directors, consisting of twelve members, is elected from the thirty members of FNCUS.

D. Meetings of FNCUS

The committee members of FNCUS meet twice a year and the Board of Directors meet approximately eight to ten times a year, having no regular schedule and meet as often as necessary.

E. Finance

FNCUS receives approximately \$6,000.00 annually and it is obtained in the form of donations. RENHIT stated that once a year appeals are mailed out to the 4,000 Estonians on his mailing list and he estimated 1,000 persons respond to the request for funds. RENHIT advised that all the members of FNCUS are without salary and pay their own expenses, with the exception of himself, who is salaried.

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B. Publications

NYCOS publishes a weekly Potonian language newspaper, "Free Potonian World," which is printed by the Herold Press, which is also located in the Potonian House at 243 East 34th Street, New York City. This publication reflects the views and policies of NYCOS as well as the current events and social activities of the Potonian people in the United States.

C. Members of the Board
of Directors of NYCOS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Residence</u>
ADOLFI MARSEA - President	New York City
REV. RUDOLPH KISIFAYA, D.D.	New York City
OLYF MC PIRSEAU	Parsippany, New Jersey
EDWARD F. JASAR	Lakewood, New Jersey
LAWARD TATE, LL.D.	Teaneck, New Jersey
ERNEST VILLE - Treasurer	New York City
EDWARD T. PERRICK	New York City
JULIA L. LAMOUR	New York City
EDWARD MC CLELLAN	Philadelphia
EDWARD T. VILLE	Port Washington, L. I., New York
SIMONE JASAR, Ph.D.	New York City

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WORLD AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

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NYITY advised that J. B. TICHLING had formerly been a Board member of TCC, but had been removed because of his change of residence from New York City to Fort Lauderdale, Florida. NYITY stated that the expense of travel was so great for TICHLING to travel back to New York City for the Board meetings, so, therefore, he dropped off the board of Directors of TCC.

Committer Members of TCC

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
Rev. ALFRED D. BROWN	Rochester, Connecticut
ALFRED J. CERRELLI	New York City
ALFRED K. COOKE	New York City
RICHARD DIXON	New York City
ELIAS F. DIXON	New York City
ADOLPH EHL	New York City
PAUL FETTER	Ada, Ohio
WILLIAM FIDO	Seabrook, New Jersey
JOHN FRATZ	San Francisco, California
HUGO GALLI	New York City
ADOLF HIRSCH, LL. D.	New York City
ARNOLD HIRSCH	Englewood, New Jersey
WILLIAM HIRSCH	Washington, New York
JOHANNES KORN, N.Y.	New York City
ROBERT MILTON KORN	Chicago, Illinois
ALFRED SALTMAN	New York City

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REMY advised that EARL H. ALBURY had resigned from WCCS due to his inability to attend due to old age. He also stated that another Committee member LOUIS JAHN had died.

3. Representatives

WALTER J. BANISTER, D.C., D.C. Washington, D. C.

JOHN ASTAR, San Francisco, California

REV. RALPH WISE, Chicago, Illinois

WENDELL GREENE, Secretary General, New York City

REMY advised that the above individuals were supporters of WCCS and when it was necessary, they would volunteer their services for WCCS at the various localities where they reside.

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II. PURPOSE, AIMS AND ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE
OF THE ESTONIAN WORLD COUNCIL (EWC) OF
WHICH EWCUS IS A MEMBER GROUP

RENNIT also advised that EWCUS is a member of the EWC, which is an international Estonian Anti-Communist organization, which is not affiliated with nor is it directed or financed by any foreign government. RENNIT is also Secretary General of EWC.

A. Location

EWC occupies the same space as EWCUS at 243 West 34th Street, New York City.

B. Purpose and Activities

RENNIT advised that the EWC has the same aims and purpose as EWCUS and that is to oppose Communist action in all countries of the world.

The EWC directs communications to the United Nations, Prime Ministers and leaders of various countries supporting or opposing some action being proposed or taking place in that country in regard to Communism.

C. Membership of EWC

RENNIT advised that the EWC is made up of representatives from six Estonian organizations, all of which are Anti-Communist. RENNIT advised that the following organizations are members of the EWC:

- ✓ - Council of Estonian Societies in Australia;
- ✓ - Estonian National Committee in the United States;
- ✓ - Estonian Central Committee in the Federal Republic of Germany;
- ✓ - Association of Estonians in Great Britain;
- ✓ - Estonian National Committee in Canada;
- ✓ - W.O.P.E. Estonian Regional Committee in Sweden

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REDDIT advised that the total membership of EWC is 20 and it is made up of representatives from the above listed six organizations and the number of representatives from each country is as listed below:

United States	six members consisting of four regular members and two alternates.
Canada	four members
Australia	two members
Federal Republic of Germany	two members
Great Britain	two members
Sweden	four members

REDDIT advised that the members of EWC hold office from two to three year terms, which is according to the regulations of the individual groups.

D. Meetings of the EWC

The members of the EWC meet once a year and the Board of Directors convenes six to eight times a year.

E. Finance of the EWC

REDDIT states that the EWC is financed solely by contributions from the six member organizations and REDDIT estimates that the EWC receives from \$50.00 to \$100.00 annually from each member group. REDDIT advised that the EWC has very limited capital and that the members do not receive any salary or expense money.

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V. Members of the Board of
Directors of the IWC

<u>Country Representing</u>	<u>Name of Representative</u>	<u>Residence</u>
United States	JEROME VASAR, Ph.D. President	New York City
United States	ALFRED J. ANDERSON Vice-President	New York City
Canada	ALEXANDER KURT Vice-President	New York City
Federal Republic of Germany	JOSEPH KOLBUS Secretary	New York City
England	Emmivald Loits Treasurer	New York City
Australia	ARNOLD RAGO	Orange, New Jersey

REEDMIT advised that the IWC members, with the exception of one, all reside in the United States. He explained that the various member groups of the IWC have appointed individuals residing in the United States to represent them at the IWC. He explained that the representatives of these groups were expected to pay their own expenses in traveling and, therefore, the expense of traveling from the various countries was to great and it was necessary to appoint delegates in and around New York City to represent them at the IWC.

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a. Councillor Members of the PNC

<u>Country Representing</u>	<u>Name of Representative</u>	<u>Residence</u>
Australia	Rev. ALEXANDER RIGO	New York City
Sweden	Rev. ALEXANDER WILSON, M.T.B.	New York City
United States	JULIUS KLEINER	New York City
United States	ADOLPH KREMER	New York City
Federal Republic of Germany	HARALD KIUS	New York City
United States	Rev. RUDOLF KIVIRANNA, M.T.B.	New York City
Canada	NIKOLAI KULIN, L.L.D.	New York City
Canada	JUHAN KULLER	Toronto, Canada
Sweden	RUDOLF KUNZEPP	Lakewood, New Jersey
Sweden	OLEV K. KURALE	Lakewood, New Jersey
Sweden	RICHARD KUNK, L.I.D.	Los Angeles, California
Canada	HARALD KUNKEPP	New York
United States	LEONARD KUTTER, L.L.B.	Teaneck, New Jersey
Great Britain	KURT KUHL	New York City

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